





BLM BIDS FOND FAREWELL TO LATE WHIP OF COUNCIL, COUNCILLOR JOHANNA RANGATA

The Blouberg Local Municipality on Saturday, June 28, laid to rest its fallen heroine, Councillor Morongwa Johanna Rangata. Municipal leadership, councillors, officials led by the Mayor, Her Worship Maria Thamaga, leadership of her political home, civic structures and the community paid their last respects to the remarkable woman who dedicated her life serving the community. Cllr Rangata whose life was cut short by a motor vehicle accident last week, June 18 was laid to rest at her home Village of Matemana (Miltonduff), Ward 03. She joined the Blouberg Local Municipality in 2011 as Ward 03 Councillor. In 2016 to 2021, she served as Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Community Services. She was appointed Whip of Council in 2021 following local government elections, a position she held until her passing. Mayor Thamaga described the death of Cllr Rangata as a loss, not just to her family but to the community at large. The Mayor described the departure of Whip of Council whom served her community as a ward committee member prior to being elected Ward Councillor, as a hardworker, a public servant whom dedicated her life to serve the people. "Death has robbed us. One of us is no more. Mokgapa o mogolo o wele Cllr Morongwa Johanna Rangata o re tlogetše. Re rile go kwa taba tše ra tšhoga kudu. Re le ba Masepala re swabile nko go feta molomo. Cllr Rangata re mo tseba gabotse bjalo ka masepala. Re šomile le yena mererong ya tšhabollo ya setšhaba. She was an active member of the community and Blouberg Municipality. Mafofologo a gagwe le go rata go šomela setšhaba di ile tša dira gore a kgethwe bjalo ka ward committee ya ward 03 mo Masepaleng wa Blouberg. She was one of the most reliable and active ward committee members who represented her community very well. This attracted her election as ward 03

councillor in 2011. Bjalo ka Ward Councillor o ile a rwala maikarabelo a kabo ya ditirelo tša motheo mo Ward 03. Through her hard work as the Ward Councillor during the 2016 local government elections she was elected as ANC PR Councillor and served as Chairperson of Community Services portfolio. Through this portfolio she campaigned for road and public safety. She advocated for a better environment through provision of refuse removal services, rural waste collection and tree planting programmes". Mayor Thamaga expressed her appreciation for the many years Cllr Rangata dedicated her life serving the community. Her tireless contribution to the municipality she loved, and the community who valued and respected her, will leave a lasting and treasured legacy for us and for generations to come. "Cllr Rangata e bile modiredi wa setšhaba go fihla mafelelong. Re swanetše re ithute tše ntšhi bophelong bja gago. O šometše setšhaba sa Blouberg ka botswerere. Seo se mo swanetšego ke mphaphahlogo wa phenyo. Re le masepala re leboga karolo yeo o e ralokilego, le ge di sa lebogwe. Re le ba Masepala wa Blouberg re re homotšegang. Modimo o kgauswi le bao ba robegilego dipelo. O tseba tša rena tošhle. Ke yena a tla re homotšago. A moya wa gagwe o robale ka khutšo."